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MEMO—



FROM THE EDITOR

On behalf of **The Cowl** Staff, I welcome the Class of 1970 to Providence College.

Today, you are beginning one of the most important periods of your life. The goals which you have set and the manner in which you strive to achieve them will have a lasting effect on your later life. I strongly commend those of you who have already set your goals. I hope you will work diligently to obtain them. But, I wish to warn the Freshman who has not set any goals. Your next few years will be extremely short ones. To waste them by wandering aimlessly through your college career is an injustice to your parents, to your classmates, and, most of all to yourself.

One goal which you should strive for is that of the well-rounded P.C. man. In order to achieve this end, you must prepare yourself for the problems you will face on leaving the protective womb of Providence College. You can begin this preparation by taking full advantage of the academic and extra-curricular activities available to you. Certainly, academics should be your primary concern. However, if you desire to be a truly well-rounded individual, you should strive to become an integral part of the College community. Providence College is now your school, in a very special way, your home for get involved in some extra-curricular activity. This will be the next four years. I urge you to take an interest in it, to enable you to grow socially, mentally, and religiously.

With these thoughts in mind, it is my hope that every Freshman will enjoy a full share in the academic and social life of the College. I wish you a successful beginning to a satisfying college career.

GERALD G. McCLURE

Crisis, Confusion and Chaos

750 Anxious Freshmen Initiate College Careers

(Special to THE COWL)

By CARMEN MELE

Approximately 750 students will enroll at Providence College this week as the Class of 1970. These 750 are the remnants of 2620 high school seniors who applied for admission last winter. Fr. Royal Gardner, O.P., the Dean of Admissions last year, released these and several other interesting statistics about the first class of a new decade.

From the number that applied, 1,523 were accepted. Of those accepted 936 applied as resident students and 587 applied as day students. The number of applicants was 111 more than 1965's final total of 2,509.

But next year the number of applications is expected to go down because the application deadline has been changed from April 1 to March 1.

The number of states and foreign countries which will be

represented by the freshmen will be uncertain until the actual day of registration. The Admissions Office, however, did detect a surprising number of transcripts from secondary schools which have never negotiated with PC before. Also, the Office uncovered a trend by New England guidance counselors to find in many cases schools outside the Northeast for their students. An indication of this can be that the high school outside the Providence area which will probably be best represented by the Class of '70 is Bergen Catholic of Oradell, New Jersey.

The freshmen have competed for the 122 monetary achievement awards offered by PC. In addition to this, sixty-nine grants have been made available to the freshmen (these grants include partial scholarships to brothers of upperclassmen). A portion of the quarter of a million dollars that has been requested from Congress will also be appropriated for freshmen in need.

Getting into Providence College was harder for the Class of '70 than their predecessors whom they replaced — the Class of '66. Fr. Gardner also said that there are students who were rejected this year that would have been accepted three or four years ago. At least 500 more applicants were qualified and could easily have been accepted if faculty, space, and library limitations were not present to force the administration to set a 750 student maximum for the Freshman Class.

College Opened in 1919; Dominicans Provide Tradition

Providence College has come a long way since it first opened its doors in 1919. It was the first Dominican College for men in the United States. In those days, the College consisted of only one building with a twenty acre wooded campus. The total enrollment then was 75 students.

The seven-hundred-year old teaching tradition of the Do-

minican Order has had its effects on the academic and physical growth of Providence College. Today the total enrollment at the College is over 2,500 undergraduate students and graduate students.

Growth

There are fifteen major buildings on campus. A library and other new buildings are now in the planning stage. The wooded site of 47 years ago has grown to a beautiful landscaped seventy-nine acre campus.

The College offers at least fifteen major courses of study for the undergraduates and five on the graduate level. Plans for other graduate courses are also being studied and it is expected that more graduate schools will open at the College within the next five years.

Extra-curriculars

Excluding regional clubs and athletic teams, there are over thirty-five extra-curricular activities and organizations on campus. Among these are organizations connected with every concentration offered by the College. Their purpose is to give the student the opportunity to broaden his intellectual interests, to develop the student's capability in a field in which he is interested, and to provide the student with the opportunity to meet and know people who share his interests.

Those organizations sponsor many social activities during the academic year. For example, the Student Congress sponsors mixers on campus nearly every weekend of the school year except during Lent and during exam periods. This year they have planned a few innovations to improve the social life at the College.

Beanies, Tags Signify Unity Vigilantes Await Class of '70

Freshmen, you have now entered a new world—one which will, for a time, seem awesome and perhaps frightening. You will face it quite alone and for the most part stripped of the familiar reassurances of friends, this is the case with almost all of you. You are hundreds of individuals, disjointed and in-

dependent of each other.

The "beanies" which you wear depicts you as a member of the Class of 1970. How great that class will become depends on you and your ability to unite yourselves together and act as a body. The better your class functions the more pleasurable your stay at Providence College.

That "beanie" will bring upon you what seems to be a plague or a curse. You will be pursued by members of the Vigilante Committee with unmerciful fervor. They will make you dance on tables; march like soldiers and generally humiliate you. But they do it not to John Jones, the individual, but to the kid wearing the "beanie" the members of the class of 1970. The V.C. are attacking the whole class.

The underlying purpose of the V.C. is to bind you, the "lackadaisical" individuals, into a tight knit core called the class of 1970. It is a tradition which is old and treasured and your realization of its purpose will make it much easier to bear.

FROM NOW ON, FROSH, DON'T
LET ME CATCH YOU
WITHOUT THAT BEANIE.

YES SIR, WHO
AM I TO STAND
IN THE WAY OF
TRADITION.



PARENTS

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The Cowl Brings You the Action

by Richard Methia

Freshmen! Are you satisfied with just reading the news? Are you bored by newsheets that tell only half the story? Do you want to get behind the news and catch a glimpse of events at their source? If you are just such an inquisitive individual who wants to know the "why and wherefore" of college action, then **THE COWL** has something to offer YOU!

Every Wednesday afternoon, hundreds of news-hungry students race to pick up copies of **THE COWL**, the official student newspaper of Providence College. Now you can be a part of the editorial team which satisfies this student need for information by helping publish your paper. If you have a "nose for news," or a penchant for editorializing; or even if you are just curious enough to want to know what makes news, we have a place for YOU! A behind the scenes look at the Cowl office in McDermott Hall tells the whole story of your paper from beginning to end.

Since **THE COWL** is a weekly paper, news must be made fresh by incisive reporting behind the facts. News is often where you find it and **COWL** reporters often are known for being where a news story is about to break.

The PC man must be informed, and it is **THE COWL** which must be his first and finest source of campus information. Reporters then constantly criss-cross the campus linking interview with "un-official" statements, and separat-

follow PC athletics to get personal side of Friar sport life that is often forgotten. Keeping statistics, traveling with the teams, or seeking out the unusual, **THE COWL** sports reporter is where the "real action is" at all times.

Trying to prove that one picture is indeed worth the proverbial thousand words,

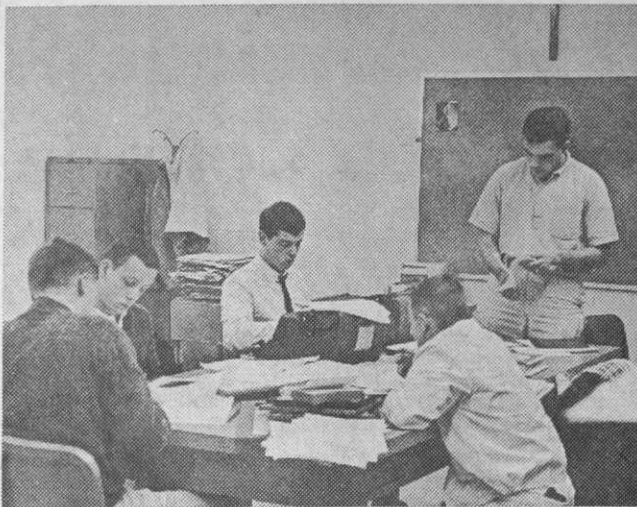
and good taste are all con-sidered; even when the copy editors finish trimming and correcting, the stories are ready for final page planning and on their way to press.

Once **THE COWL** has reported the news, editorial comment is often needed. Intelligent comment on activity on the Smith Hill campus is a part of the normal routine of **THE COWL** editorial board. Editorialists attempt to gauge students feeling and administration sentiment and then discuss openly the problems at hand. **THE COWL** insists firmly in the freedom of even the collegiate press, and editors are censors over themselves. They are dedicated to informing the PC man of those matters which directly concern him, and editorials are an essential means of communicating these ideas. Whether editorial opinion provokes anger or applause, it always provokes discussion, and in this it serves its function well. During the forth-coming year, you Freshmen will have an opportunity to sample college editorializing, and your comments are always appreciated in the section "Letters to the Editor."

From the time the **COWL** news story is first reported to

its appearance in Harkins Hall rotunda on Wednesday, the **THE COWL** staff and discover help of many reporters, photo-

workings of PC life to join **THE COWL** staff and discover the world of collegiate jour-



Members of the copy staff work on stories.

COWL photographers add that exciting touch to news stories which even the finest reporters could not convey. Having use of a well-equipped dark room, they are an elite group snapping candid or posed shots wherever there is news. Any "camera bug" would do himself a disfavor if he did



Reporters strive to meet a deadline

graphers, editors, and workers is enlisted. You can be part of this working team if you are only interested enough in the

nalism. If you are not satisfied with just reading the news, **THE COWL** will show YOU where the news is made!



Team work puts out **THE COWL**

ing fact from fiction and truth from rumor to keep you the student in constant contact with campus activity.

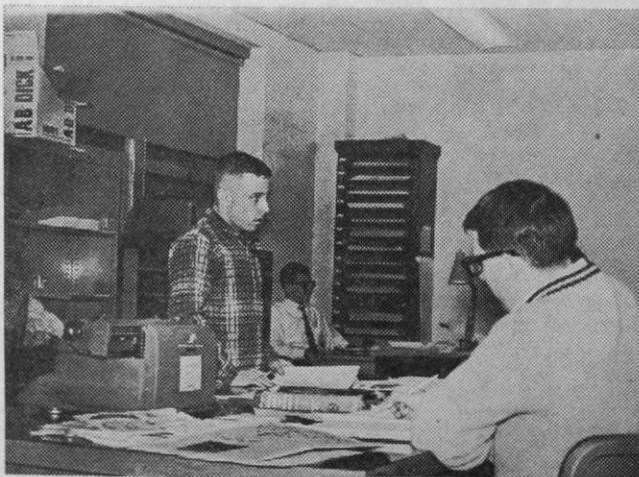
The COWL also maintains a constant news link with the administration of the college and serves as the medium wherein students reaction to policy is publicly expressed in print. The administration also utilizes the paper to present its views to the student body. In this way, **THE COWL** pays a distinct service to both partners in the college community.

From maintenance to the President's Office, from the "guy next door" to the President of the Student Government, **COWL** reporters search for news that will help the PC man remain informed.

One of the biggest jobs of **THE COWL** staff is keeping tabs on the PC sports action. Running the gamut of sport-life from big-time basketball and hockey to intramural bridge games, **COWL** reporters

not visit the **COWL** darkroom at least once during orientation.

News stories, interviews, sports reviews, and pictures—



John La Rocca, copy editor, oversees Monday night news room.



Tuesday night means checking the galleys.

FRESHMAN CLASS MEMBERS

ON and OFF Campus

... the PC Man Looks

His Best in his

Providence College Blazer

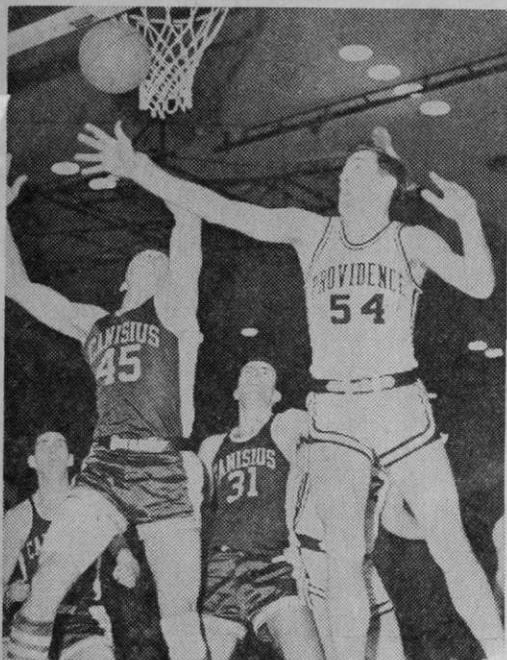
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Wednesday September 21st

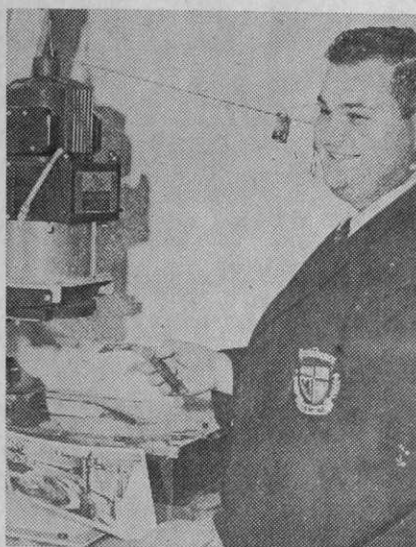
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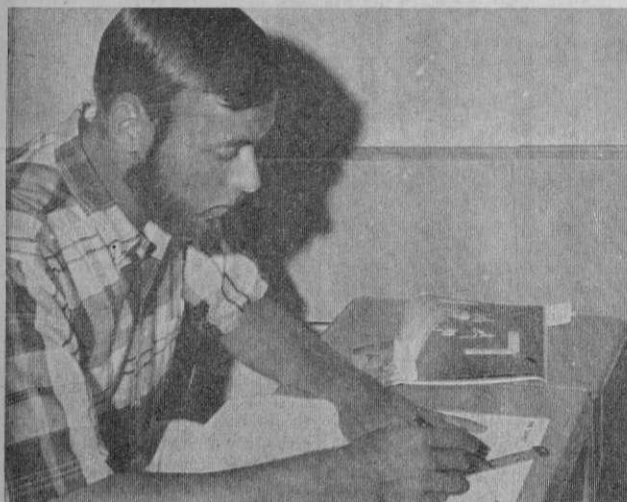
The action begins here as Jimmy Walker electrifies the crowd with his dribbling, passing and shooting...



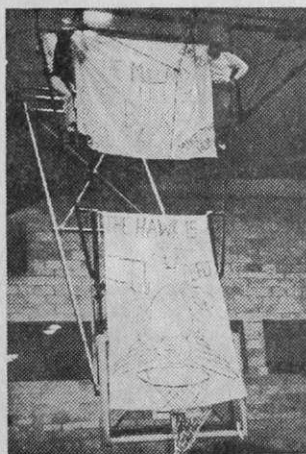
Or here with Mike "Hun" Riordan fighting for a rebound or finessing a layup.



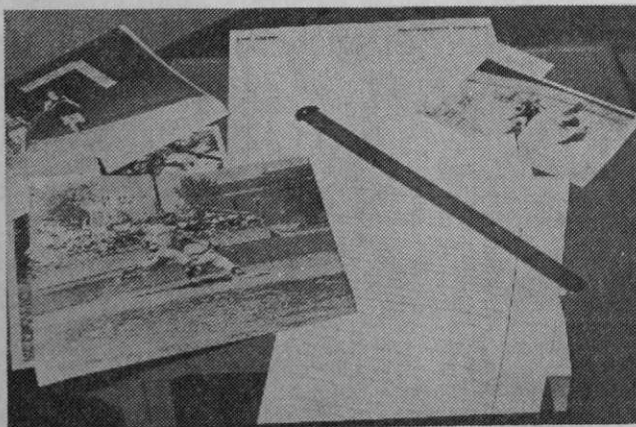
Cowl photographer Fred Lumb captures the action with his camera, develops the pictures in the Cowl darkroom and sends them on...



To the sportsdesk where sports editor John Cieply chooses the action shots for the freshman issue, always with an eye toward maintaining...



The spirit of Providence College as shown in the attitudes of its fans.



It's all here — action, spirit, news, and insight. But it needs talent to be molded into a fine sports page... this is where you come in.

FROM THE



SPORTSDESK

By John Cieply

The sports world at Providence College is something very special. It's not like the world of professional sports where the athletes are minor gods held in awe but untouched by the fans.

Here you live in the dorms with the athletes, eat with them in the caf, drink with them at Brad's (in the off season of course) and share with them a hundred experiences of growing up. But all the while, they have a life of their own, apart from the rest of the students... on the court, on the diamond, on the ice, striving to gain honors for themselves, the school, and ultimately, you.

The rest of the world becomes The Fan and the athletes become The Friars. But again, we have something the other fans don't have... we have a little bit of the sports world of PC in us. Each of us has an insight that no outsider can have... because we, too, are the Friars.

Where we go, the Friars go; what we do, the Friars do. The reputation that is built on the field is carried into the stands and away from the athletic contests by us.

In both these senses, sports at PC take on more importance than mere extracurricular activities. We, as students, have more intimate contact with the big time college sports and we bear a greater responsibility through our actions as Friars than the average fan.

This is why we publish a special issue — to acquaint you with what has happened before your initiation into the Friar Fraternity. And this is also why we have provided a layout that might interest capable people in joining our staff — to have a hand in shaping what happens during your short stay.

Varsity...

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coached by Alex Nahigian. In 1964-1965, the Friars just missed an invitation to the NCAA's. This past year was one of great expectation which was never realized. The now graduated seniors all seemed to have saved their worst year for the last one. No matter how coach Nahigian juggled the line-up, he could not up with a successful combination. Once again the lack of experiences was evident, sophomores were counted highly upon only to fade in the competition.

There is great expectation again for next season, and this could be the year for all the lime-light. Seasoned players will be available for every position. Graduation hurt as several outstanding seniors are gone, but they should not be mourned after. The names Pettingill, Saradnick, Walsh, O'Sullivan, Monti all are the ones who will be responsible for success or disappointment for Providence. Jim Petteruti, class of '67, is expected to lead the way for the Friars.

Intramurals...

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league to get in shape. Tennis has always held a place of prominence in collegiate circles, and here at PC we are no different, so send home for your rackets, as the tennis tournament will be starting soon. In recent years PC has been among the leaders in the nation in cross-country, but if you don't have time to run with the varsity you can still run in the intramural race.

Volleyball has proven to be an exciting and action filled game and an increasingly large turnout has insured its continuation. Soccer is the world's largest sport and it has finally been established here at PC and quite a few "All everything"

football players were caught unprepared by its contact.

How does one go about signing up? First you must be a member of a club, (not the Playboy) either a regional club, such as the Boston, New Jersey, New Bedford, or Providence, or you may prefer an organizational club, such as the History, Glee, Albertus Magnus or Phi-Chi club.

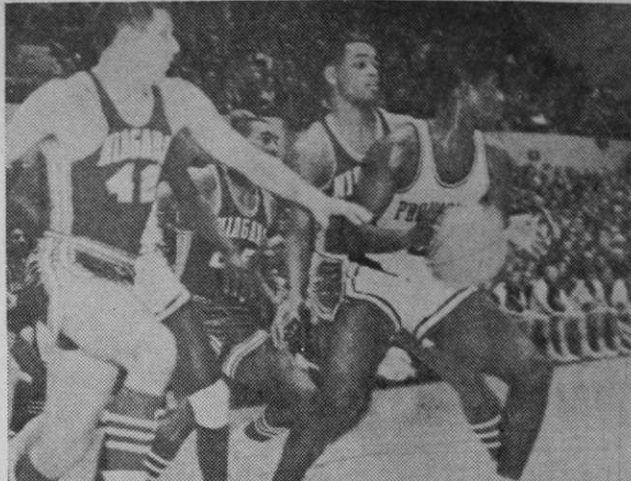
At the end of the year a trophy is awarded to the club, that has amassed the most number of points. Last year's winner was the Greater Boston Club. Points are awarded for participating in an event, and quality points are gained for winning a specific competition.



Friar hockey is always exciting, if sometimes erratic. Its fans are among the most rabid in the school.



Mr. All-American



Jimmy Walker tripled teamed! So what else is new? Walker is The Man with the ball at PC.

PC Potential N.E. Powerhouse

'65-'66 Varsity Results Show Promise

Success, disappointments, happiness and gloom, all of these were experienced by the Providence College Friars during the 1965-1966 athletic season. Basketball, cross-country, golf, and the indoor-outdoor track teams came through with the most rewarding seasons.

Basketball, with the incomparable All-American Jimmy Walker leading the way, rolled to a fine regular season record of 22 wins against only 4 defeats. They received a NCAA bid for the third consecutive year, in addition to an invitation to the Holiday Festival tournament held in New York. The NCAA's saw the Friars matched with the powerful Hawks of St. Joseph's (Pa.) and the tables were reversed on the 1964-1965 season. That season Providence was the only team to defeat the Hawks, as they emerged victorious in a regular contest and in the semifinals of the NCAA Eastern Regionals. Last year the Hawks won their revenge in the first round. The most memorable three game set of the past season has to be the Friars' visit to New York. Capturing the hearts of every spectator along the way, PC won thrillers for New York University, University of Illinois, and the Eagles of Boston College enroute to the Festival crown. This was the highlight of the season for the Friars, and for Walker, it was the step up from the ranks

of good ballplayers to the nation-wide fame of being recognized as a real, collegiate All-American.

The Cross-country team excelled this past year under the dynamic leadership of the now departed seniors, Barry Brown and Jerry Riordan. Compiling a record of 6 wins and 4 setbacks in their dual and triangular meets, the bright spots in the Harriers were their ventures into the ECAC, Eastern IC4A, and New England AAU meets. In the ECAC, the Friars ran away to a first place finish in a strong team effort. The Harriers followed this performance with another impressive play of team depth by racing to a first place in the Eastern States' IC4A meet in Philadelphia. Second place beckoned the Friars in the NE AAU meet as several of the team members were not as healthy in this meet as they were in the first two wins. Individually, Brown and Riordan rewrote the school record book in the one and two mile events.

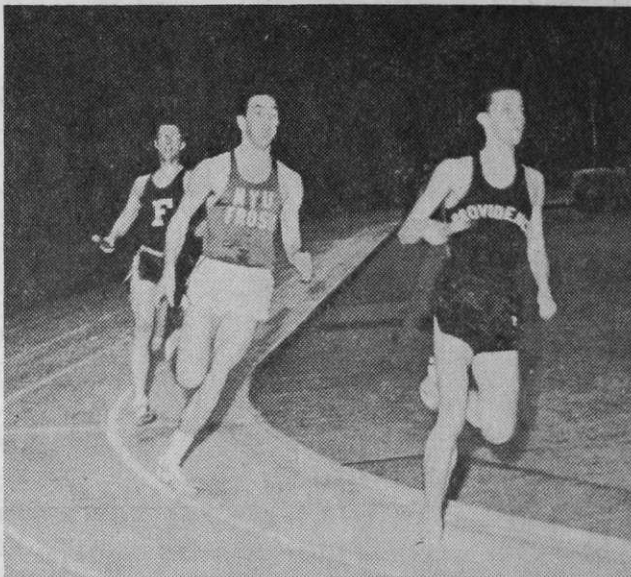
For the Golf team, 1965-1966 was a year of continued success. In shooting their way to a record of 9 wins against 4 losses, the Friar linksters were recognized as the top team in the East. They proved their rating was no mistake as a fine team effort enabled them to take first place in the New England Championships held in Maine. It was a case of windy, rainy weather and a battle against rock-hard greens, but

the Friars emerged victorious set out for the sunny California shores and the NCAA tournament. Joe Monahan, class of '66, won the individual title in a sudden death play-off, a victory which served to make the overall championship an even greater achievement.

The other varsity teams were not as successful. Hockey is still in the rebuilding stage, tennis has not yet been developed fully for inter-collegiate competition, and the baseball team had too much inexperience to pull out of the tailspin that they started the season in—but have a strong nucleus for next season.

From an ECAC bid in the 1964-1965 season, the pucksters slid to a rather dismal showing for the year. Hurt by graduation, the team was built around the sophomores, and their lack of varsity experience was quite noticeable. Gerry Zifcak, Jim Umile, and Larry Tremblay formed the noted "sophomore" line and for a time were the only ones able to produce any goals. John Doherty and Nick Lamoriello are the co-captains for the upcoming season, and coach Toppazzini is looking forward to the first practice session where he hopes to iron out the lack of experience and once more bring the Friars to a winning season.

One of the more successful teams in the past at Providence has been the varsity baseball (Continued on Page 3)



While outdoor track events, and especially cross country, are PC's forte, Joe Adamec exhibits winning form in an indoor relay meet.

Meet the Coaches

No matter what the sport, the Friars always have one thing going for them... great coaching. The Friar coaching staff is made up of men who have made a name for themselves and their teams.

Joe Mullaney is considered the premier basketball coach on the East coast and during his eleven years at PC has had eight consecutive twenty victory seasons. Winner of the NIT in 61 and 63, Joe has directed his teams to eight post-season

tournaments, including the NCAA the last three years. A graduate of Holy Cross, Joe broke in with his teammate Bob Cousy on the Celtics before coming to PC and molding his 243-68 record.

Ray Hanlon, too, has a reputation for building winning teams with a 41-15 record in cross country competition and first place in the New England in 1964 and 1965. Ray's biggest compliment comes from the students' expectation of winning track records. Holding an M.S., he also teaches education.

After only two years, Zello "Topper" Toppazzini has adjusted to the switch from the pro to the collegiate ranks. A veteran forward with the Rhode Island Reds, Topper got a taste of coaching in the pros when Ferny Flaman was injured. In 1955-56 Topper was the high scorer in the American Hockey League.

Alex Nahigian might be termed the classic "switch hitter." Four of his seven Friar baseball teams have had winning records, including the 1964 squad which went to the NCAA regional finals. Then in the fall Alex moves across town to serve on the Brown staff as football line coach and scout. Another Holy Cross graduate, he played several years of minor league ball before coming to PC and compiling his 63-57 mark.

Expanding Program Gives Every Student Opportunity

Birdie Tebbets, Hank Soar, Lennie Wilkens, Johnny Egan, John Thompson, Vinnie Ernest, do you recognize any of those names? If you followed PC athletics you will know that they all represented PC in varsity athletic competition. However, not everybody has the time or the ability, to star on the gridiron, throw in fifty in a game, or belt a homer in the last of the ninth, with the sacks loaded.

What then of these students? Are they to be left to spend all of their time in the library? Certainly not, the Providence College Intramural Athletic Association was founded a few

years ago to take care of these students. If your preference is for a team or for an individual competition, it matters little, as there is a sport offered for every taste.

Football is a big sport on campus across the nation, and PC is not to be left out. However, here it is touch football. Last year over 400 students took part in the intramural football league, and indications are that this year will be even bigger. Joe Monahan, last year's golf captain and New England champ, is gone, and there will be a lot of openings in the spring, so use the fall golf (Continued on Page 3)



As is obvious, all the sports thrills are not limited to varsity action. Intramural football and basketball are well organized, well played and hard fought.